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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 12th-January, through Sunday, 19th-January there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9U, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EP, ER, ES, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ7, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2E, VP2V, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, Z8, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZL, ZL9, ZP, ZS, ZS8

PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later".

3B8, MAURITIUS

Jean-Paul, HB9ARY, will once again be active as 3B8/HB9ARY from Mauritius between January 24th and February 15th. Activity will be on all HF bands, 160-10 meters, using mainly SSB, but some CW on 160m. QSL via NI5DX.

3B8, MAURITIUS (Update)

Last week we reported that Robert, M0RCX, would be active as 3B8/M0RCX from Mauritius sometime around May 2-28th. Since then, Robert has updated OPDX about his activity. He informs that his trip to Mauritius is more as a tourist with his family and not seen as a DXpedition. His power will be limited to 100 watts, and he hopes to have a hexbeam, a wire beam for 6m (possibly made from the island's bamboo), as well as a delta loop and long wire available for his activity. He states,

> "Airlines are very picky about what I can take and anything full of wires poses twenty questions and rightly so. My antennas; therefore, will be simplistic."

His operating position will be close to the city center of Port Louis in the North West of the Island. He does plan/hopes to operate at least 3 hours a day on the following HF Phone bands: 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters. He is also planning to operate on some PSK and JT65 making some contacts with low to modest power levels (NO amp). Robert has been asked about moonbounce over the horizon but thinks this may be optimistic with only 100 watts. He will set up a schedule on **QRZ.com** under 3B8M0RCX (He states,

> "For some reason it will not permit the '/' after the suffix.)."

Also, look for him to put up a band schedule up (as soon as he can), but provisionally Robert will fly to Mauritius on May 1st, so he should be up and running between May 3-28th. As an added note, Robert also mentions,

> "I plan to live over there in about four years so hopefully I'll get a feel for it. QTH is inland about a mile from the ocean but there is a mountain behind me (east) this is why I wish to push my signals over to the west."

QSL via M0RCX, direct, by the Bureau or eQSL.

3V, TUNISIA

The "DXNL" (DX Newletter) reports: "After two years of waiting Tunisia finally has a first independent Amateur Radio Association, the "Association Tunisienne des Radio Amateur" (ASTRA), which holds a club station license as 3V8HQ. QSL via the Bureau.

3Y, BOUVET (Possible activity)

Carl, N4AA, Editor of QRZ DX, mrntioned on January 16th, that Johan, ZS1A, reported: "Today the SAS Agulhas arrives at 3Y with a team of Norwegians on board. They are going to build a new base for scientists to stay for 2 months to do studies as early as December 2014." Some information is available at this Web site:

http://translate.google.com/translate?hl=no&sl=no&tl=en&prev=_dd&u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.vg.no%2Fnyheter%2Finnenriks%2Fartikkel.php%3Fartid%3D10048819

Standby for more as it becomes available.

5H, TANZANIA

The "DX-World.net" is reporting that Sam, F6AML, will once again be active as 5H1Z on another IOTA tour from the following Tanzanian islands between January 28th and February 18th: **Zanzibar Island (AF-032)**, **Mafia Island (AF-054), Kilwa Kisiwani Island (AF-074) and Songo Songo Island (AF-074) and Karange Island or Yambe Island (AF-087)**. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via F6AML.

7P8, LESOTHO (Looking For Operators!)

Frosty, K5LBU, announced this past week that he is still looking for a few more team members for a DXpedition to Lesotho (7P8) this April. He states that they have 3 already and they are looking for more to join in the fun. They plan to arrive on the 21st or 22nd of April at Johannesburg and then drive down to Roma, Lesotho. Frosty adds that they will have 1 or 2 Hex Beams, a Tennadyne T6 HF 6 elements Log Periodic, as well as putting up verticals for 160/80 and 40m. If they can end up with 6 or more operators, they will have at least 3 stations on the air. If interested, you can contact him at **3da0cf@gmail.com** or 281-682-6093.

8Q, MALDIVES

By the time you read this, Bjorn, SM0MDG, will be on **Raa Atoll (AS-013)** for one week. He is not expected to be on the air as 8Q7BM until about January 22nd. Activity will holiday style on all bands, 160-10 meters. He does plan to be in the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 24-26th). QSL via M0URX (OQRS preferred).

AUSTRALIAN TOUR

Dave, K3LP, has announced that he will be on an Australian Get-Away Trip after his Dubia, UAE, trip between January 30th and February 16th. Look of him to sign VK/K3LP (VK2/VK3/VK7) from the following location:

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January    30th  - Sydney, Australia
February  1-4th  - Cairns, Australia - Great Barrier Reef trip
February    4th  - Voyager of the Sea; Royal Caribbean
February    6th  - Melbourne, Australia
February    9th  - Adelaide, Australia
February 10-11th - Hobard, Tasmania
February 13-15th - Sydney, Australia
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QSL via K3LP. For more details and updates, visit Dave's Web page at:

http://k3lp.com

CARIBBEAN ACTIVITY

Operators John/KB8RJ and XYL Christina/WD8KUR will be activating two islands starting next month. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands using a Buddi-Pole and dipoles. Their tentative schedule is as follows:

February 24th-March 3rd - Signing as FS/homecall from **St. Martin (NA-105**, WLOTA 0711). QSL via KB8RJ.

March 4-10th - Signing as PJ6/homecall from **Saba (NA-145**, WFF PAFF-027, WLOTA 2043). QSL via KB8RJ.

CQ3/CT9, MADEIRA ISLANDS

Helmut, DF7ZS, will be active as CQ3L during the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via DJ6QT. Look for Helmut to be active before the contest as CT9/DF7ZS, especially on the 17/12 meters. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct or LoTW. Visit the CR3L Santana, **Madeira Island (AF-014)**, Web page at:

http://www.cq3l.de

DAYTON HAMVENTION NEWS (Dayton RTTY Contest Dinner)

Fred, WW4LL, reports [edited]:

"Ladies and Gentlemen -- I am pleased to announce the 2014 Dayton RTTY Contest Dinner on Thursday, May 15, 2014, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Dayton, Ohio. Please use the link to the RTTY Contest Dinner Web site and order your dinner tickets online here:

http://www.rttycontestdinner.com

PROGRAM: Special Guest Speaker: Larry Gauthier, K8UT
TIME: 6:15 pm Social Hour (Cash Bar) with Dinner beginning at 7:15 pm
LOCATION: Crowne Plaza Hotel, Presidential Ballroom (2nd floor), 33 East Fifth Street, Dayton, Ohio USA
DINNER MENU: Choice of: Pork Chop, Chicken Breast, Grilled Salmon and Beef Tips. All dinners come with ice tea or coffee, dinner salad, rolls and butter, potato, vegetable and desert.
RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS: Ticket Price is $36.00 each and includes gratuity.

I thank Tim Duffy, K3LR for doing all of the heavy lifting in making this dinner available to us at the Crowne Plaza. Tim made all of the arrangements for us with the Crowne, already owned the URL, and guided me thru the entire process. I am also very grateful to Scott Neader, KA9FOX, (**QTH.COM**) for donating, developing the web page and hosting the website. Please extend your thanks to Tim and Scott when you have the opportunity. Lastly, Ed/W0YK and Larry/K8UT have both been an integral part

of planning and development of this dinner. If you remember, Larry put the survey together several months ago to determine interest in having the dinner this year. Both he and Ed have provided good counsel and been my sounding board. I am excited about us having the dinner this year and look forward to seeing all of you at the 2014 RTTY Contest Dinner. Sign up now!... 73'….Fred, WW4LL"

FT5Z, AMSTERDAM ISLAND

If you have not heard, the FT5ZM team has left Perth, Australia, aboard the Braveheart on Wednesday for their 9 day trip to Amsterdam Island. The team is active on the air from the Braveheart using the callsign VK6FZM/mm. QSL via ClubLog or via N2OO via regular mail or Bureau. You can also track them at:

http://www.amsterdamdx.org/follow-the-ft5zm-team-journey-live

Before the FT5ZM Team departed from Perth, Onno, VK6FLAB, did a series of interviews with the team members. Interviews were conducted on the 11th and 12th, and can be heard at:

http://www.amsterdamdx.org/ft5zm-the-interview

G3/GB4, ENGLAND (Special Event)

The Royal Air Force station at Henlow, in Bedfordshire, UK, - G3ELV and the RAF Signals Museum, will once again be active during "International Museums Weekends" in 2014. Look for special event callsign GB4SMH to be on the air June 14-15th and 21-22nd. QSL via Bureau. See:

http://www.rafsignalsmuseum.org.uk

HC, ECUADOR

Rick, NE8Z/HC1MD, will be active as HC1MD and HC1MD/HC2 between January 19th and February 10th. Activity will be 40-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. View and apply for the HC/HD-Ecuador and the HC8/HD8-Galapagos DX-Diplomas at:

http://webpages.charter.net/ne8z

QSL via K8LJG, direct or LoTW.

HR, HONDURAS

"The Daily DX" reports that John, NO7B, will be active as HR2/NO7B from Javier/HR2J QTH in Honduras between February 6-18th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters (possibly 160 and 6 meters). QSL via NO7B.

IOTA NEWS

AF-019. Gerhard, OE3GEA, will be active as IG9/OE3GEA from **Lampedusa Island** between February 8-13th. Activity will be on CW only. QSL via his home callsign.

OC-219. Operators Budi/YF1AR and Adhi/YB3MM will be active from **Tukang Besi Islands (aka Wakatobi Islands**, ARLHS IDO-259 Wangiwangi LightHouse) as YF1AR/8 (between March 28th-April 2nd) and YB3MM/8 (March 26th-April 2nd), respectively. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using mainly SSB, but also CW and Digital modes. QSL YF1AR/8 via N2OO. QSL via YB3MM/8 (see **QRZ.com**). For more info and updates, see:

http://www.yf1ar.com/2014/01/oc-219-tukang-besi-islands-aka-wakatobi_15.html

SA-020. Operators Alain/F8FUA and Stephane/F5UOW will be active as FY/homecall from **Ile Royale**, French Guiana, between May 15-25th. Activity will be on all HF bands (except 160m) using CW, SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via their home callsign.

SA-057. Members of the Radio Club Uruguayo and the Uruguay DX Group will activate **Timoteo Dominguez Island**, in the Colonia Department IOTA Group, Uruguay, as CW5F between February 21-26th. Operators mentioned are Jorge/CX1SI, Gustavo/CX2AM, Oscar/CX2FR, Wilson/CX2RU, Beto/CX3AN, Julio/CX4AAE, Luis/CX4AAJ, Mario/CX4CR, Rainer/CX8FB and Ghis/CX5DNT/ON5NT. QSL via ON5NT, direct or by the Bureau.

J7, DOMINICA

Brian, K1LI, will once again be active as J7Y from **Dominica (NA-101)** between February 21st and March 10th. Activity will mainly be focused on the low bands outside of the ARRL DX SSB Contest (March 1-2nd). QSL via his home callsign.

KH6, HAWAII (Special Event/Satellite)

Tom, NH6Y, announced that he will be on from Hawaii (WW Loc. BL10) during the week starting Feb 5th as W1AW/KH6.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE

The following was released on January 19th [edited]:

> "Press Release - FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION -- NCDXF announces major grant to FT5/T Tromelin Island DXpedition -- January 19, 2014
>
> The Northern California DX Foundation is pleased to announce a grant of $25,000 to the FT5/T Tromelin Island DXpedition planned for November 2014. Tromelin is #10 on the DX Magazine's Most Wanted List for 2014. It is #3 Most Wanted on the U.S. West Coast.
>
> Without major financial support from NCDXF, DXpeditions like this to challenging or rare locations would not be possible.
>
> **http://www.tromelin2014.com/en/** has more details. Tromelin is a very small and very environmentally fragile area. There are strict limitations to the number of visitors and the time allowable on the island. The team's antenna plans, pilot feedback plans and

enthusiasm should make this entity available to many DXers.

For the past 42 years the NCDXF has funded major DXpeditions to many Most Wanted Entities. The credit for these large grants goes to the NCDXF contributors, individuals and clubs, who make DX like this possible.

Have you contributed yet? ....
73, Glenn Johnson, W0GJ, NCDXF Vice President
http://www.ncdxf.org"

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (January 20-26th)

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Jan/20th AN      Jan/23rd  AN      Jan/25th  AN
Jan/21st AN      Jan/24th  AN      Jan/26th  AN
Jan/22nd AN


  SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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   NORMALITY                GEOMAG       K Values    Alpha
  -----------------         ------       --------    ------
  AN  - Above Normal        Quiet        K=0-1       0-7
  HN  - High Normal         Unsettled    K=2         8-15
  LN  - Low Normal          Active       K=3         16-29
  BN  - Below Normal        Minor Storm  K=4         30-49
  DIS - Disturbed           Major Storm  K=5         50-99
  VRY DIS - Very Disturbed Severe Storm K=6-9        100-400
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PT7, BRAZIL

Fred, PY2XB, will be operating from Fortaleza, NE Brazil, using his PT7BXB callsign between January 20-27th, including the 2014 160m CQWW Contest. Look for Fred on 160m every night before the contest and full time during the contest. He will use RX antennas and a 1/4 wave vertical for transmission at max legal power. QSL via PY2XB direct or via LoTW.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (January 19th)
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3Z5W via SP5KP            FG8OJ via F4AVX        RJ22GF via EA7HBC (*)
4S7BRG via LZ3HI (B/d)    FM/SP7VC via SP7VC     RT22WF via RM9WF
6W7SK via F6BLP           FR4NT via F4DXW        RU3GF via EA7HBC
AU3NIAR via VU2NRO        FW5JJ via F5RXL        S79ACR via UA3DJY
AU5SV via VU2SMN          HC6/AL4Q via DJ8QP     SP3ARISS via SP3POW
CE7/UA4WHX via UA4WHX     HG45DRK via HA9KPZ     TO3JA via JA3AVO
CW30A via CX2ABC          HG4F via HA4FF         UE70B via RV1CC
DK40BOSCH via DL3GA (B)   II2SMK via IZ2SOG      VK6FZM/MM via N2OO
DM200TSV via DL4WK (B)    LI3C via LA9DFA        VP2ETE via W3HNK
DM45SCHUMI via DJ6SI (B)  LJ1GB via LA9VDA       W4V via W4RKC
EA8/ON4FI via ON4FI       N4D via WP4CRG         XT2AW via M0OXO
EA8AH via OH1RY           P29FR via I2RFJ        Z6/LZ1BJ via LZ1BJ
EI3KG via SP9NWN          RA22VG via R4AAS
EM7UT via UR7UT           RC22CT via RK3ANL
  (e) eQSL only  (d) direct only   (B) Bureau only  (L) LoTW only
  (*) Russia & CIS via RU3GF
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A92FN ON LOTW. Rich, N7TR, reports: "I just loaded all of my contacts from my trip as A92FN while in Desert Storm in 1991 to LoTW. This includes my efforts in WPX SSB while in Bahrain. Total was around 9000 contacts.
http://www.qrz.com/db/A92FN
-- I still have cards for this deployment (Complements of NCDXF) and if you still need confirmations... let me know. Please pass the word... Thanks... Rich N7TR (ex-KI3V, N3AMK, WB3JOV, A92FN)"

NEW QSL MANAGER. Miguel, **CP6XE**, reports that effective January 15th, 2014, IK6SNR is no longer his QSL Manager. His new QSL route/manager as of the date is via **IK6GPZ**.

VK0TH QSLS. From VK0TH QRZ.com Web page [edited]: "Please note no further QSL cards for VK0TH Macquarie Island 2011/2012 will be processed. If you have sent a card before 01/01/2014 then your QSL will be processed. However, I have no further QSL Cards for VK0TH and cannot process the volume of QSLs still being received almost 2 years after the expedition. My apologies and hope you understand. I am more than willing to process eQSL and will look at making the log available via other means."

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: A45XR, CU2AP, EA1OD, EA4CQT, EA8CYQ, F6GCI, JE1TRV, R22ICH, SQ3PMX, SP6LUY, SV3FUO, T8CW, UA6CE, US1UX, UT0UY, VU7AG and YO8NR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 1A0KM, 3B9EME, 5A1AL, 5V7TH, 9K2UU, 9N7BM, C53CW, C82DX, C31CT, CY0P, DU7ET, E31A, FW5JJ, HP0INT/2, HP0INT/3, HP0INT/4, HP0INT/9, ID9Y, PJ6A, S21ZBC, S79WDX, SD7W, T33A, T88AT, TN2MS, TO2TT, TR0A/p, TY1JB, V4/DF8AN, VK9CZ, VP2MMN, VP8LP, YB3MM/2, YB4IR/8, YE5R, YK1BA, YL800CW and ZB2FK

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: NONE REPORTED THIS WEEK!

S567, SLOVENIA

Members of the "Radioklub Cerkno" will use the special callsign S567O during year of 2014. Operations will be on all bands. Activity is to

celebrate their longterm President Miran Voncina, S50O, who was granted the first amateur radio license in 1967. The Radio Club Cerkno and amateur radio came to life with the arrival of Miran Voncina, S50O. Cards will be ready to print by end of 2014 and shipped soon after. For those who want to send cards direct, please send SASE with 2 USDs to Radio Club Cerkno, P.O. BOX 16, 5282 Cerkno, Slovenia, with priority return, once QSL cards are received from the printer. Cards without return postage will be returned via the Bureau. All QSOs will be verified via Bureau and LoTW.

SILENT KEYS

W6ISQ - John "Jack" Troster became a Silent Key (SK) on January 11th. He was 93 years old. Jack was one of the founding members of the Northern California DX Foundation (NCDXF) in 1972. He also served on the NCDXF Board for 26 years as well as NCDXF's third President (1975-1986). For more details, see:

http://www.arrl.org/news/qst-contributing-editor-jack-troster-w6isq-sk

W6OSP - Bruce Butler became a Silent Key (SK) on January 16th. He was 79 years old. Bruce was a NCDXF Board member - 1990 he was NCDXF's Treasurer, and served as NCDXF's President (2009-2011). For more details, see:

http://www.ncdxf.org/officers/w6osp.html

OPDX and its subscribers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the above mentioned.

TO8, GUADELOUPE

Jean-Claude "Jean", FG8NY, will be using the special UFT callsign TO8UFT from **Guadeloupe (NA-102)** between January 20th and February 2nd. Activity will be on all HF bands using only CW. There will be an emphasis on the 75th "Coupe du REF" CW Contest (January 25-26th). QSL via F6ICG.

V4, ST. KITTS (Update/Reminder)

Operators Tony/N3ME and Bernie/W3UR will be active from Calypso, **St. Kitts (NA-104)**, starting January 21st, as V47AJ and V4/W3UR. Tony will be there for almost a month (until February 17th) and Bernie (also editor of the Daily DX) will be there until February 5th. This is actually a family vacation and holiday style operation. They will be using an Elecraft K3, KPA-500 and S9v31 vertical and other wire antennas. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, RTTY and SSB. Tony will emphasize RTTY and operate in the CQ WPX RTTY Contest. Bernie will operate mostly CW with an emphasis on Topband around sunrise and sunset, including the CQ World Wide 160 CW Contest. QSL via their home calls, direct or by the Bureau and LoTW. Logs will be posted to ClubLog. Also, updates and logs will be on "The Daily DX" Web site at:

http://www.dailydx.com/v4-2014.html

V6, MICRONESIA

Shoij (Sho), JA7HMZ, will once again be active as V63DX from **Pohnpei Island (OC-010)** between January 24-30th. Activity will be on all bands and modes. Also, look for him to be in the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 24-26th) signing V6A as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. QSL both callsigns via JA7HMZ direct. No Bureau QSLs.

VISALIA INTERNATIONAL DX CONVENTION NEWS (Topband Dinner)

It was announced that the Top Band Dinner at the 2014 Visalia DX Convention will be held on Friday, April 4th, at the Visalia Convention Center, Visalia, CA, - San Joaquin Ballroom, with check-in starting at 6:30 PM. Craig Thompson, K9CT, will be the featured speaker: "A Tale of Two Islands — Wake and Amsterdam. The Low Bands: Results, Comparisons and Contrasts." See the following Web site for complete details and registration information:

http://topbanddinner.jimdo.com

VO2, CANADA (ZONE 2)

Dave, VO1AU, will once again be active as VO2AAA from the "Hams of Western Labrador" VO2WL club station in Labrador City, Labrador, in CQ Zone 2 between March 6-10th. Activity will be on all bands before and after the RSGB Commonwealth Contest [BERU] (March 8-9th). QSL via VE3AAQ.

ZZ80, BRAZIL (Special Event)

The Liga de Amadores Brasileiros de Rádio Emissão - LABRE (Brazilian Amateur Radio League), will celebrate their 80th anniversary (founded February 2, 1934), during the month of February with special operations to commemorate such an auspicious event. During this period, LABRE stations will be operating in all Brazilian states with a special callsigns as follows:

State	Callsign	State	Callsign
Acre	ZZ80 AC	Pará	ZZ80 PA
Alagoas	ZZ80 AL	Paraná	ZZ80 PR
Amapá	ZZ80 AP	Pernambuco	ZZ80 PE
Amazonas	ZZ80 AM	Piauí	ZZ80 PI
Bahia	ZZ80 BA	Rio de Janeiro	ZZ80 RJ
Ceará	ZZ80 CE	Rio Grande do Norte	ZZ80 RN
Distrito Federal	ZZ80 DF	Rio Grande do Sul	ZZ80 RS
Espírito Santo	ZZ80 ES	Rondônia	ZZ80 RO
Goiás	ZZ80 GO	Roraima	ZZ80 RR
Maranhão	ZZ80 MA	Santa Catarina	ZZ80 SC
Mato Grosso	ZZ80 MT	São Paulo	ZZ80 SP
Mato Grosso do Sul	ZZ80 MS	Sergipe	ZZ80 SE
Minas Gerais	ZZ80 MG	Tocantins	ZZ80 TO

Paraíba ZZ80 PB

Operations will be on all HF bands, including the 2 meter band, using various transmission modes. All QSOs will be confirmed by a commemorative QSL card by LABRE. Specifically for QSOs made between 03:00 UTC on February 1st, 2014, until 02:59 UTC on February 3rd, 2014. To receive a beautiful 80 Years LABRE Diploma, just one QSO with any station will do it. All QSLs and diplomas will be sent automatically as noted in the LABRE station's logs; no need to send your log. All QSLs and diplomas will be sent via the bureau. If the participant prefers to receive a diploma or QSL via direct, you must send your QSL as follows:

• to receive QSL: 1 IRC or 2 GS (maximum 3 QSL each envelope)
• to receive diploma: 3 IRC or 5 GS

Send to: LABRE 80 YEARS, Caixa Postal 4, 70351-970 Brasilia DF, BRAZIL.

To receive the QSL or the diploma via bureau, it is not necessary to send your QSL, but LABRE, defender of that tradition and courtesy existing on the world amateur radio, will feel very honored to receive the QSL cards of all participants. Stations making Ham Radio QSO with all the 27 stations will receive automatically the Diploma WAB "Worked All Brazil", without request and without charge. For more details, see the rules of the LABRE Awards Program on the LABRE Web page at:

http://labre.org.br

ZF2, CAYMAN ISLANDS

Look for operators Bruce/K0BJ and Phil/N0KE to be active in the CQWW 160m CW Contest (January 24-26th) as a Multi-Op entry. Callsign for the contest has not yet been determined. However, outside of the contest Bruce and Phil will be active as ZF2BJ (between January 19th and February 1st) and ZF2BJ (between January 22nd-February 1st), respectively. Operations will be from the Plantation Village Beach Resort and from the ZF1A club station in Savannah near the Pedro Castle. Activity will be holiday style on all HF bands, but with an emphasis on the 30/17/12 meter bands and using CW and some SSB. QSL via their home callsigns, LoTW, direct or by the Bureau.

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Hugh, W4VAB, will be active as ZF2MT from the **Grand Cayman Island (NA-016)** between March 15-22nd. Hugh informs OPDX that this will not be a very big operation and will be a family trip. Activity will be on the HF bands using a KX3, Ten-Tec model 418 with a 100 watt amp, and a Buddipole. He expects to make a few CW and PSK31 contacts. QSL via LoTW and eQSL.

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